

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-3 are pending in the application, claims 1 and 2 are allowed, and claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, and/or 35 U.S.C. §102, first paragraph. The specific grounds for rejection are set forth in detail below.

II. Sequence Listing Objection

The disclosure is objected to for lack of a sequence identifier for the sequence provided on page 14, line 14. A new sequence listing and amendment to the specification are provided.

III. Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph

Claim 3 remains rejected as lacking an enabling disclosure. Applicants in traverse, but in the interest of advancing the prosecution, the claim has been revised to refer to those disease states indicated by the examiner to be enabled. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is therefore respectfully requested.

IV. Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that all claims are in condition for allowance, and an early notification to that effect is earnestly solicited. The examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3184 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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